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Mr. Bill Lowe  
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Kansas City, KS 66101

Re: RCRA Facility Investigation, Phase I Work Plan  
EPA Identification No. KSD007246846  
Safety-Kleen (Wichita) Facility  
2549 North New York Avenue  
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Lowe:

This letter formally requests revisions to the RCRA Facility Investigation Work Plan for the Safety-Kleen Wichita Facility in Wichita, Kansas.

As recently discussed with you and Ms. Chris Jump of KDHE, we would likely to modify the field effort related to the five exploratory borings. The work plan proposes to collect continuously-sampled soils using a standard auger rig. Concerns with heaving sands in this region have led us to reconsider this approach. After researching the various options for logging these holes, we propose to use the GeoProbe® Conductivity Probe, which will generate electrical conductivity logs instead of physical soil samples. After many discussions with individuals experienced with this equipment and after conducting a literature search on the topic, we believe that this technology will provide dependable results that can easily be interpreted into lithologic units. At a minimum, one confirmation boring will be drilled and continuously logged adjacent to one of these locations during the monitoring well installation phase of the Stage 1 RFI.

Additionally, we are conducting a prescreening of certain areas of the site to evaluate the potential presence of low level radiation in the surface soils, based upon information provided to us by KDHE. The instrument used in the prescreening (a Ludlum or similar meter) will also be used in the field during sampling for Health & Safety screening purposes.

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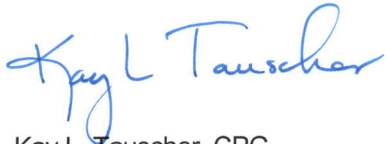
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If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me at 303.938.5535.

Sincerely,

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Kay L. Tauscher, CPG  
Project Hydrogeologist

Cc: C. Jump



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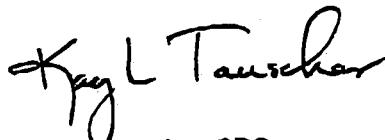
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